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MEMORIES OF A MARIONETTE #6

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BIRDY CEPHON
WHAT DID YOU TELL ME?
YES HEAD-MAS-TER!
I WILL NOT USE VIOLENCE ON ANYONE!
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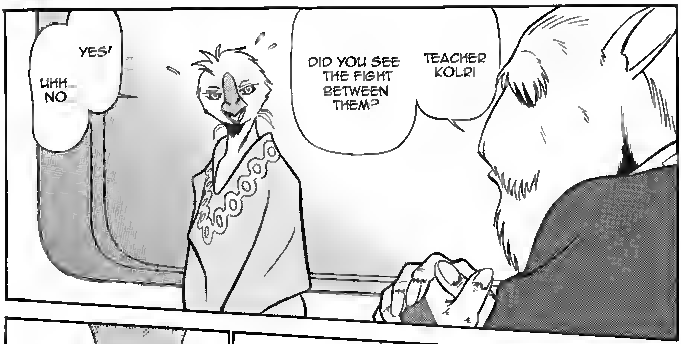
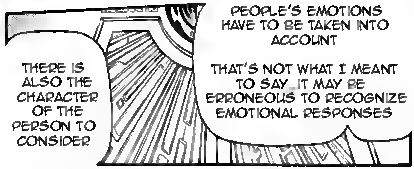
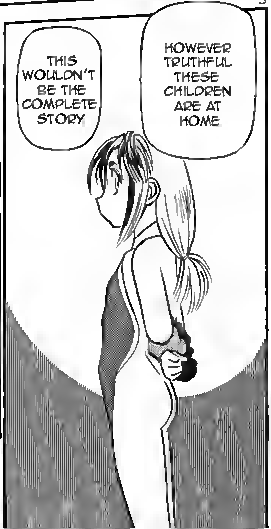
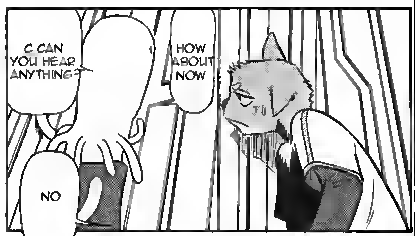
HMM.


YES!
UHH... NO
DID YOU SEE THE FIGHT BETWEEN THEM?
TEACHER KOLRI

I WOULD HEAR BOTH SIDES OF THE STORY
THAT'S NO GOOD
KRED AND MILN'S WORD FOR IT
I TOOK


THERE IS ALSO THE CHARACTER OF THE PERSON TO CONSIDER
PEOPLE'S EMOTIONS HAVE TO BE TAKEN INTO ACCOUNT
THAT'S NOT WHAT I MEANT TO SAY...IT MAY BE ERRONEOUS TO RECOGNIZE EMOTIONAL RESPONSES


THIS WOULDN'T BE THE COMPLETE STORY
HOWEVER TRUTHFUL THESE CHILDREN ARE AT HOME


C CAN YOU HEAR ANYTHING?
NO
HOW ABOUT NOW

A LITTLE MORE. WHY CAN'T YOU SPEAK ANY LOUDER?
I HOPE I ROLLED THOSE BANDAGES ON RIGHT. KRED
HE'S NOT PUNISHING HER?
BUT TEACHER KOLRI SEEMS TO HAVE SOMETHING OF AN EXPLANATION.
SHE'S CRAZY STRONG
WELL. IT REALLY DID HURT
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OH MRS. BAGAU, UH...
WHAT ARE YOU KIDS DOING HERE?
SHOULDN'T YOU BE IN CLASS?
NOT EVEN BREAKING A BONE. I WOULD BE GRATEFUL FOR THAT IF I WERE YOU
I'M GUESSING SHE WAS HOLDING BACK

THE POLICE
HEADMASTER, YOU CALLED THEM !?
AHH LET'S BEGIN
THE POLICE!?
HEADMASTER, THE POLICE OFFICER IS HERE TO SEE YOU
NOW NOW TEACHER KOLP! I CALLED GIVEN THE ABSENCE OF
THE POLICE?
WHAT ELSE DO YOU INTEND TO...?
PLEASE ENTER
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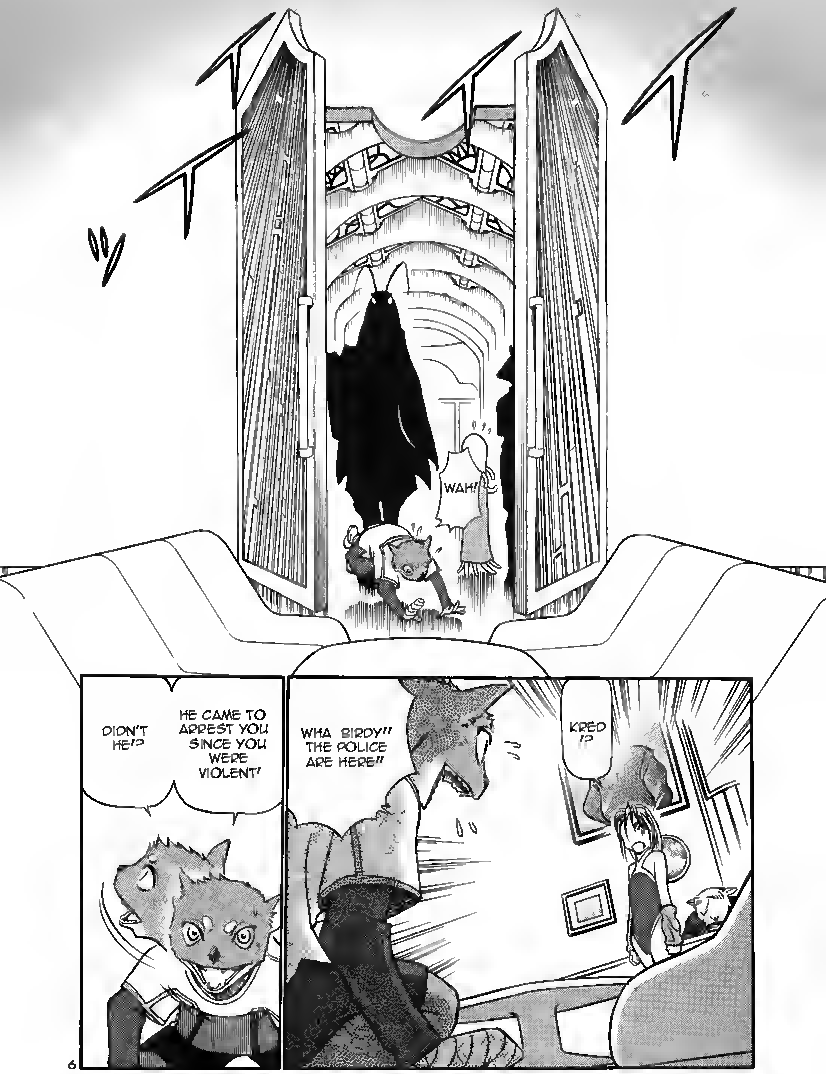
WAH!
KRED !?
WHA BIRDY!! THE POLICE ARE HERE!!
HE CAME TO ARREST YOU SINCE YOU WERE VIOLENT!
DIDN'T HE!?

AH WELL
YOU SAID THERE WAS A VIOLENT INCIDENT IF SO, THAT'S BEEN GOING AROUND A LOT LATELY
KRED GAMHOW HAVE YOU SEEN THE NEWS!?
HUH!?
NO, I HAVEN'T!

OH! I DON'T MIND
IS IT ALRIGHT IF WE TAKE A LITTLE OF YOUR TIME MR. MEBIUS?
HMM.
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THANK YOU SO MUCH
THAT WAS MY INTENTION FROM THE BEGINNING
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SHOW ME
IS THAT THE HAND THAT BIRDY CEPHON INJURED?
HUH !?
KRED GAHKHOW
I WANTED TO HEAR YOUR SIDE OF THE STORY
WELL NOW LET'S BEGIN
WELL, IT'S NOT THAT HURT...
KRED
IT APPEARS THAT SOMEONE WITH LITTLE MEDICAL KNOWLEDGE HAS TREATED IT
REALLY.
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IXIO-RAN!
HAVING YOUR HAND CRUSHED BY AN IXIORAN IS NOT A MINOR INJURY
SCHOOL IS OUT FOR THE DAY, YOU SHOULD HAVE SEEN A DOCTOR
IF THAT'S THE CASE, IT WAS WORTH MENTIONING
MY APOLOGIES FOR BEING LATE!

I'M HER CARETAKER, VIOLIN!
IS IT TRUE THAT BIDDY HURT ONE OF HER FRIENDS!?
YES.
VIOLIN! WHO CALLED YOU!?
THE HEADMASTER TOLD ME!
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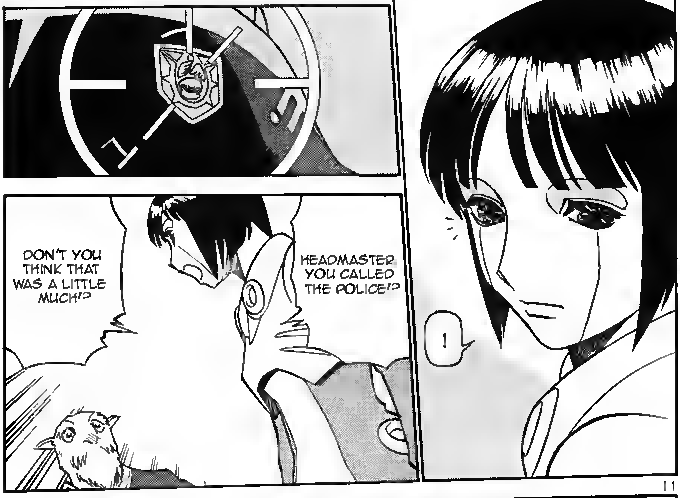
A MARIONETTE.
IT'S BEEN A LONG TIME SINCE I'VE SEEN A PALINA TYPE 1.
A MARIONETTE POSING AS A CHILD'S CARETAKER?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HEADMASTER YOU CALLED THE POLICE!?
DON'T YOU THINK THAT WAS A LITTLE MUCH!?

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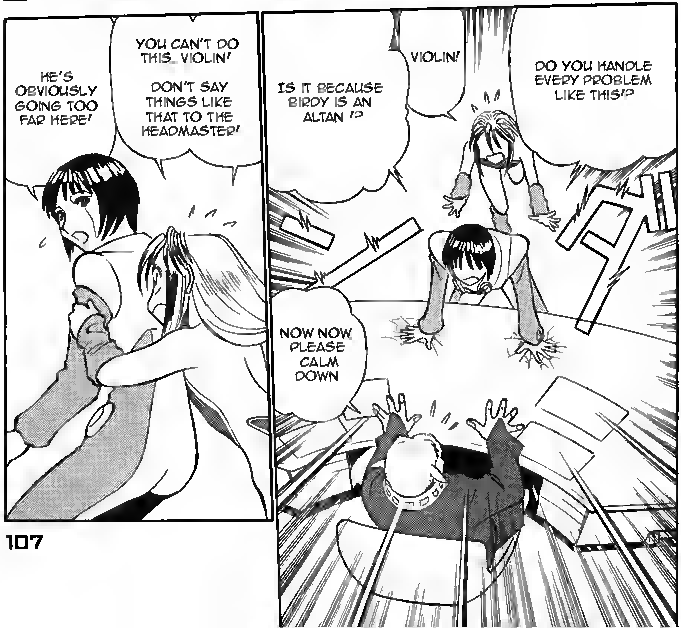
DO YOU HANDLE EVERY PROBLEM LIKE THIS!?
VIOLIN!
IS IT BECAUSE BIRDY IS AN ALTAN !?
NOW NOW PLEASE CALM DOWN
YOU CAN'T DO THIS, VIOLIN!
DON'T SAY THINGS LIKE THAT TO THE HEADMASTER!
HE'S OBVIOUSLY GOING TOO FAR HERE!

SINCE THE DUTY OF REARING CHILDREN WAS ASSIGNED TO ME.
ACTING IN THEIR BEST INTEREST IS RECOGNIZED AS THE RESPONSIBILITY OF A CARETAKER.
WHOA!
BEING A MARIONETTE, DO YOU REALLY THINK YOU SHOULD BE SHOUTING DOWN OTHERS?
YOU'RE THE ONE GOING OVER-BOARD
I DON'T THINK THAT GETTING THE POLICE INVOLVED IS A BALANCED APPROACH
UNDER NORMAL CIRCUMSTANCES, IT IS A SMALL MATTER FOR A TEACHER TO ADMONISH THEM.
AS FAR AS I KNOW THIS IS THE CASE IN AN ARGUMENT BETWEEN CHILDREN
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BIRDY CEPHON IS A MODIFIED ALTAN... AN IXIORAN!
BUT... THERE'S JUST ONE THING
ABOVE ALL, BIRDY MUST HAVE HER RIGHTS REPRESENTED!
I DO

SHE CANNOT USE THAT POWER CARELESSLY
EVEN GOOD CHILDREN FIGHT
THA THAT'S RIGHT!
ESPECIALLY IF IT'S AN IXIORAN!
THIS STILL HURTS!"
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SO YOU SAID
BIRDY CEPHON, YOU NEED TO BE MORE AWARE OF THE CONSEQUENCES OF YOUR ACTIONS
PLEASE KNOW THAT YOUR NATURAL BEHAVIOR
TO OTHERS CAN BE CONSIDERED VIOLENCE
I CALLED YOU IN AS HER CARE-TAKER,
KEEP IN MIND I WANT TO HEAR FROM YOU ON A REGULAR BASIS

HUH!?
WOULDN'T YOU AGREE?
EVEN NOW, DOESN'T IT SEEM SHE HAS AT LEAST SOME SELF CONTROL?
CONTROLLING HER USE OF FORCE SHOULD HAVE BEEN DRILLED INTO HER FROM THE BEGINNING WHEN SHE WAS ON CEPHON
IT SHOULDN'T BE DIFFICULT

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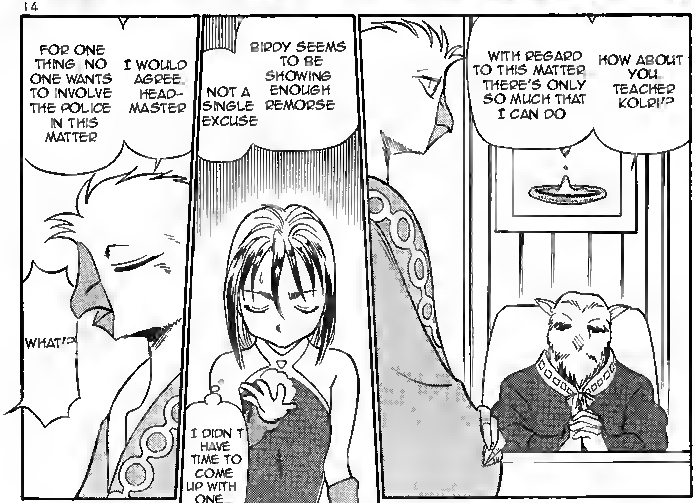
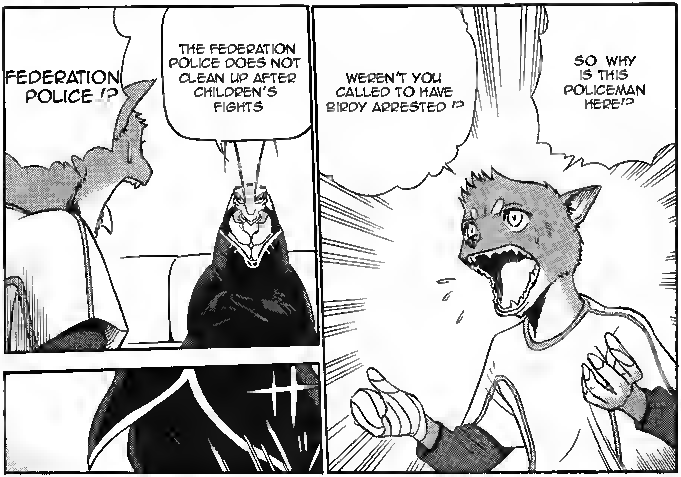

FOR ONE THING NO ONE WANTS TO INVOLVE THE POLICE IN THIS MATTER
I WOULD AGREE, HEAD-MASTER
WHAT!?
RIDDY SEEMS TO BE SHOWING ENOUGH REMORSE
NOT A SINGLE EXCUSE
I DIDN'T HAVE TIME TO COME UP WITH ONE...
WITH REGARD TO THIS MATTER THERE'S ONLY SO MUCH THAT I CAN DO
HOW ABOUT YOU, TEACHER KOLDI!?


FEDERATION POLICE !?
THE FEDERATION POLICE DOES NOT CLEAN UP AFTER CHILDREN'S FIGHTS
WEREN'T YOU CALLED TO HAVE BIRDY ARRESTED !?
SO WHY IS THIS POLICEMAN HERE!?

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THIS MEETING YIELDED MUCH INFORMATION
I SAW WHAT I NEEDED TO SEE
I SEE .SO,
I WAS GOING TO WAIT FOR A BREAK
YOU DON'T WANT TO CONTINUE?
IF YOU WILL EXCUSE ME NOW HEADMASTER

HIS FACIAL EXPRESSIONS TOLD US MOST OF IT
AND THE BANDAGES HAVE THEM OFF BY THE END OF THE DAY
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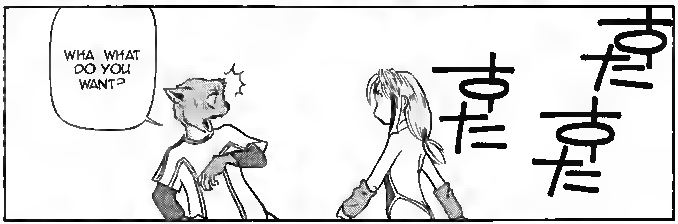
AREN'T YOU GOING TO LISTEN TO KRED'S SIDE OF THE STORY?
BIRDY AND KRED PLEASE RETURN TO THE CLASSROOM.
LET'S FINISH OUR TALK HERE SHALL WE?


WHA WHAT DO YOU WANT?
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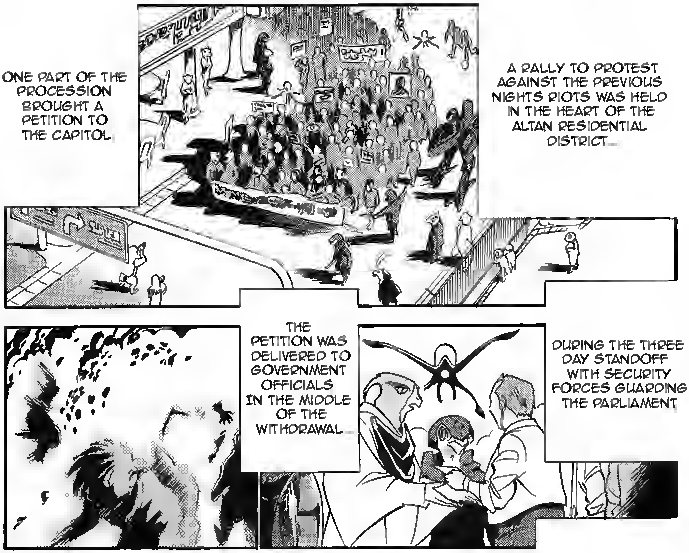
WHY SHOULD I APOLOGIZE?
DON'T COME ANY CLOSER!
BUT KRED SHOULD ALSO APOLOGIZE
I APOLOGIZE FOR HURTING HIM

YOU WEREN'T CAREFUL
APOLOGIZE FOR AN ACCIDENT?
KRED
THA...THAT WAS JUST AN ACCIDENT!
FOR TRIPPING ME

BIRDY,
APOLOGIES HAVE NO MEANING IF THEY ARE COERCED.
GRRR RRRR...
I'M GOING BACK TO CLASS BEFORE YOU DO!
JOD
HMM...
I WONDER WHAT HE REALLY CAME FOR?
THAT SAME DAY


ONE PART OF THE PROCESSION BROUGHT A PETITION TO THE CAPITOL
A RALLY TO PROTEST AGAINST THE PREVIOUS NIGHTS RIOTS WAS HELD IN THE HEART OF THE ALTAN RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT...
THE PETITION WAS DELIVERED TO GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS IN THE MIDDLE OF THE WITHDRAWAL...
DURING THE THREE DAY STANDOFF WITH SECURITY FORCES GUARDING THE PARLIAMENT

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A BOMB EXPLODED ON A STREET CORNER IN THE SHOPPING DISTRICT
BECAUSE OF THIS THE ALTANS OF THE CAPITOL CITY WOULD BECOME CRITICALLY ISOLATED

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